

STATE OF WASHINGTON

HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

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Resolution No. 03-19

WHEREAS, The Higher Education Coordinating Board has been directed by the Legislature and Governor, under the terms of Senate Bill 5404, to distribute 500 new full-time equivalent (FTE) student enrollments to high-demand programs at the state's public baccalaureate institutions during the 2003-04 and 2004-05 academic years; and

WHEREAS, The Board has developed and implemented a competitive bidding process for the new enrollments in consultation with the Office of Financial Management and the legislative fiscal and higher education committees, as directed in the legislation; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of that process the Board received recommendations for the distribution of the new high-demand enrollments from a review committee whose members included representatives of the Board and the Office of Financial Management, economic development and labor-market analysts, and industry and education experts; and

WHEREAS, The Board agrees with its review committee that the proposals recommended for funding represent an excellent opportunity to expand enrollment in programs that are experiencing strong enrollment demand, and whose graduates are in demand among Washington employers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the HECB approves the recommendations of its high-demand enrollment review committee and directs the staff to execute interagency agreements for the allocation of the new enrollments and the release of related funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the HECB staff is directed to work with the institutions to address any remaining unresolved issues related to the interagency agreements, and to work with the Office of Financial Management to develop consistent methods of tracking and reporting the expanded enrollments to the Legislature and Governor.

Adopted:

July 30, 2003

Attest:

Bob Crayes, Chair

Gay Selby, Vice Chair